

Terrestrial Carbon Sequestration

Forest Carbon Projects

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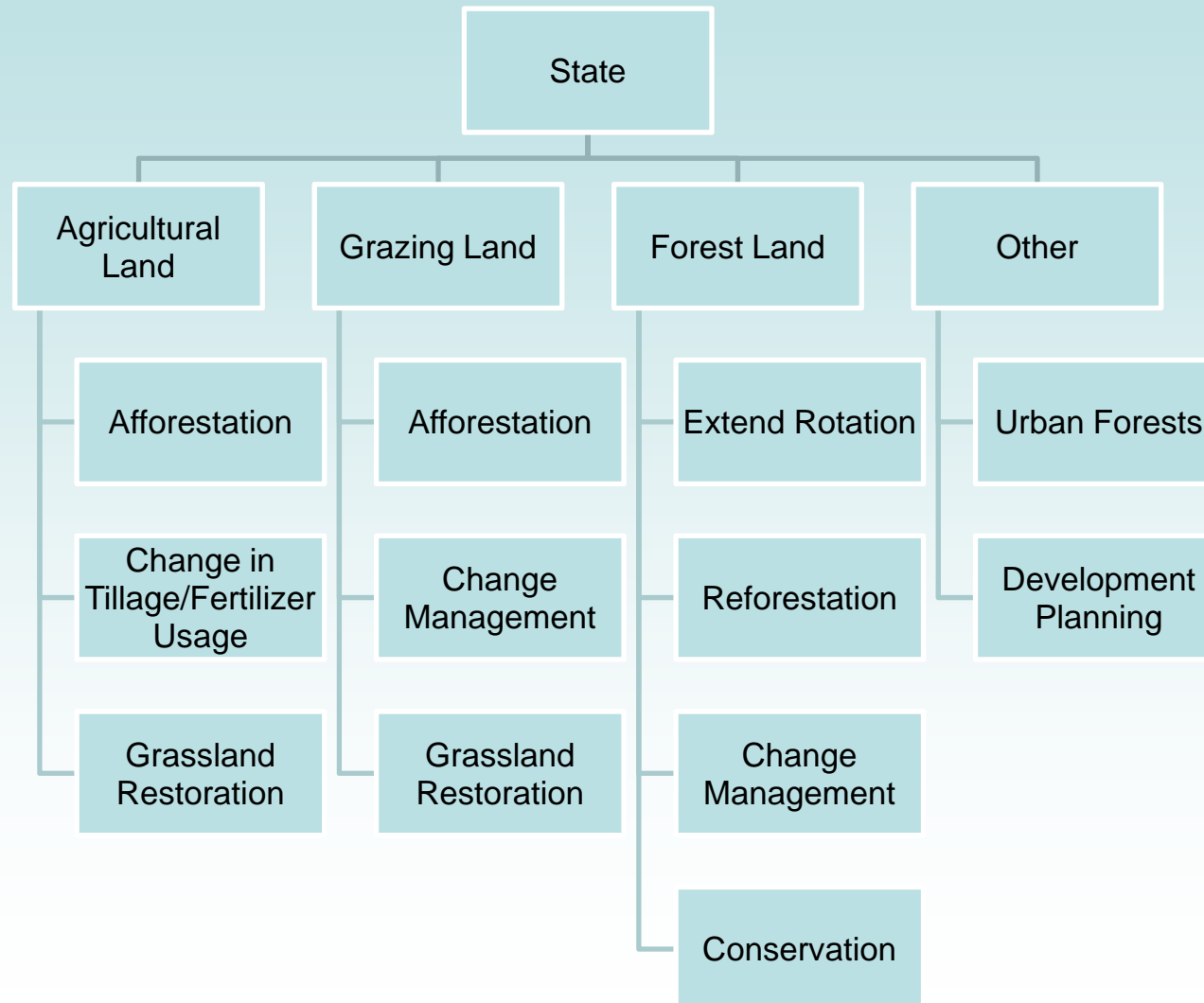
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Terrestrial Sequestration Options

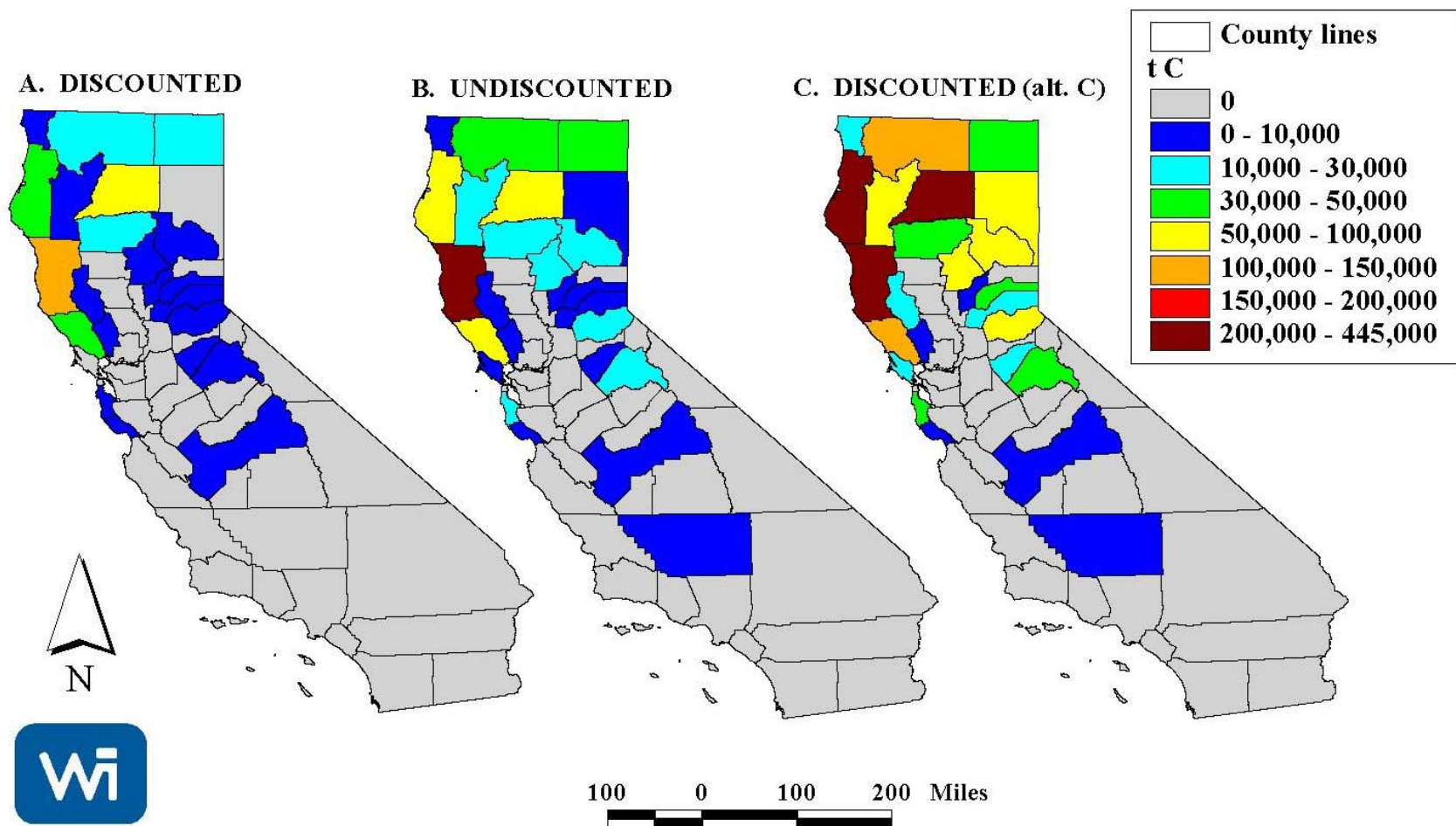


Change Forest Management

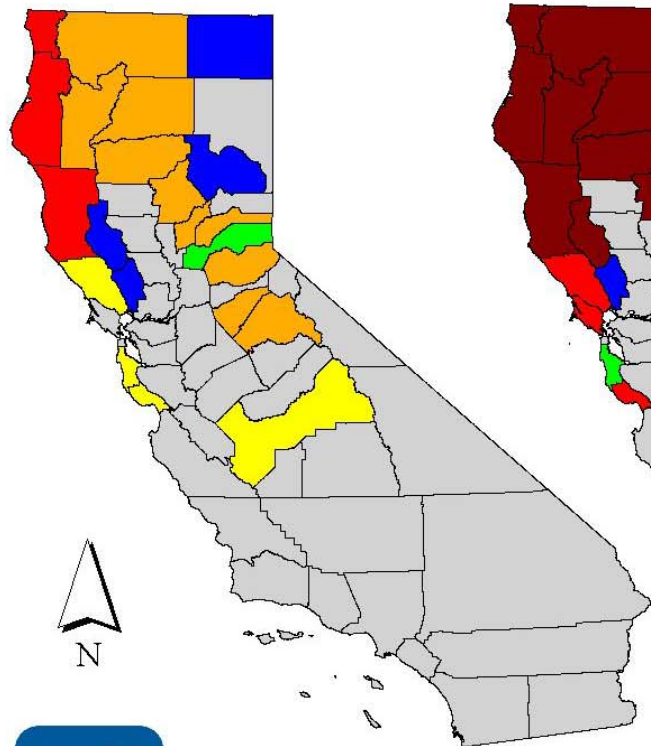


Source: Tim Pearson, Winrock International

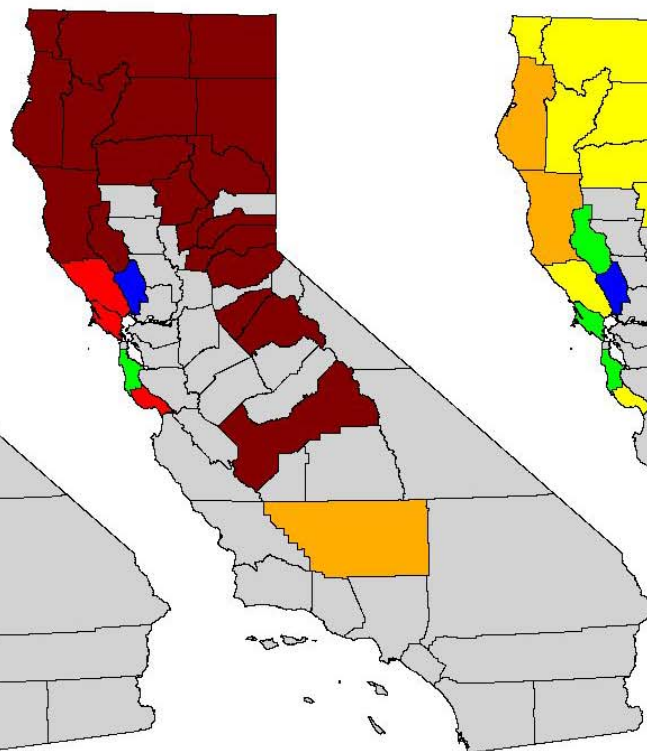
- Rotation length
- Extend riparian zones
- Slash left in forest
- Volume logged
- Assess wood products
 - Quantity
 - Type
 - Turnover



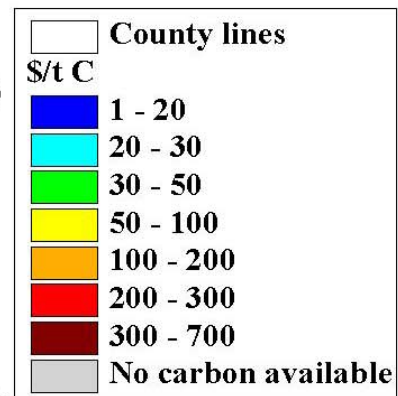
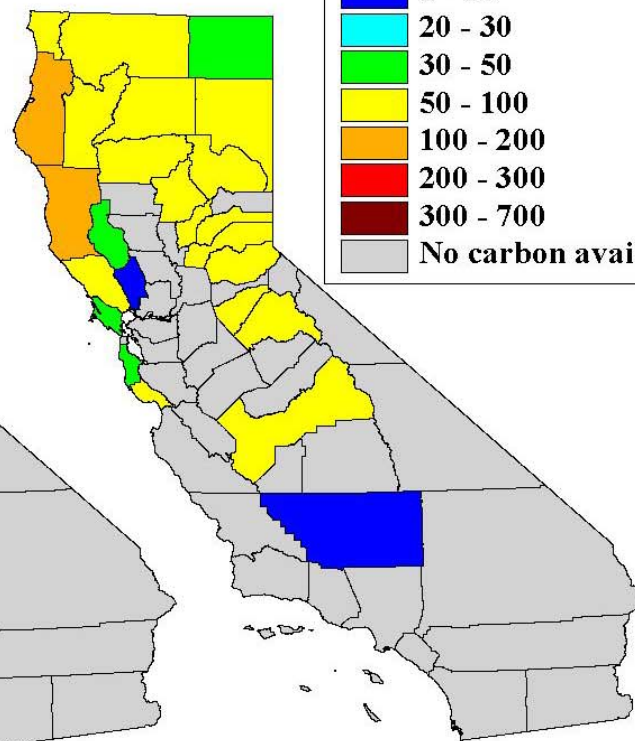
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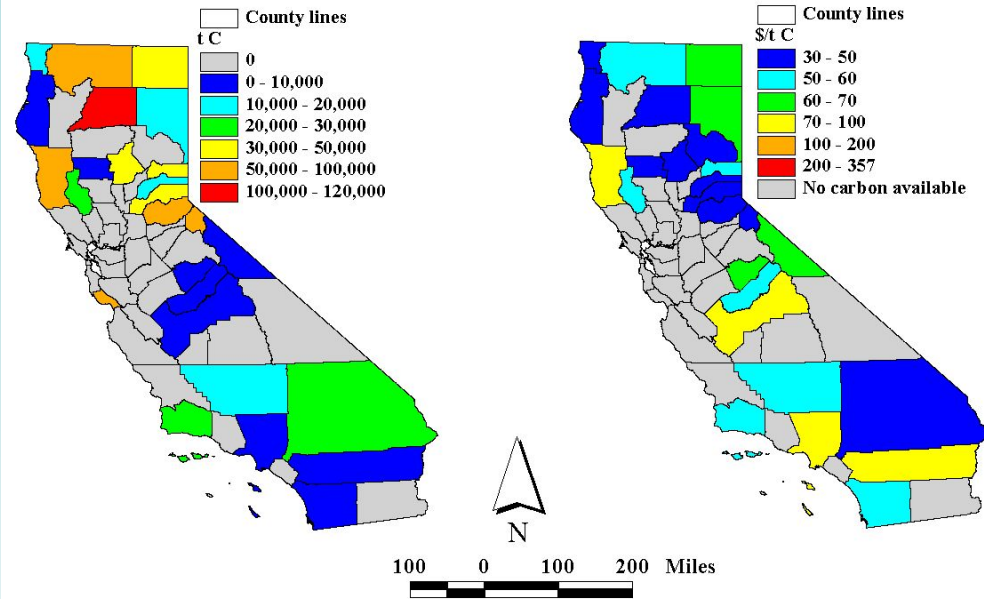


C. DISCOUNTED (alt. C)

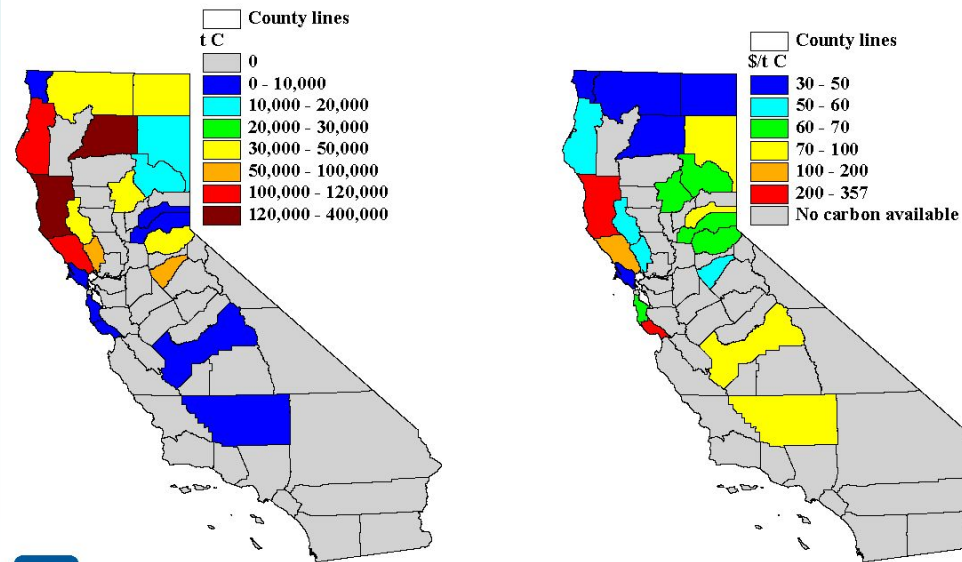


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A. PUBLIC LANDS



B. PRIVATE LANDS



Conserve Forests



Source: Tim Pearson, Winrock International

- Stop forest conversion to non-forest
- Sierra Mixed Conifer (150 year old forest)
 - 376 tC/ha
- Redwood (150 year old forest)
 - 478 tC/ha

Afforestation/ Reforestation

- Convert agricultural or grazing land back to forest
 - Return to native forest
 - Convert to forest land for timber production



Source: Tim Pearson, Winrock International

- Rate of Carbon Sequestration for Douglas Fir

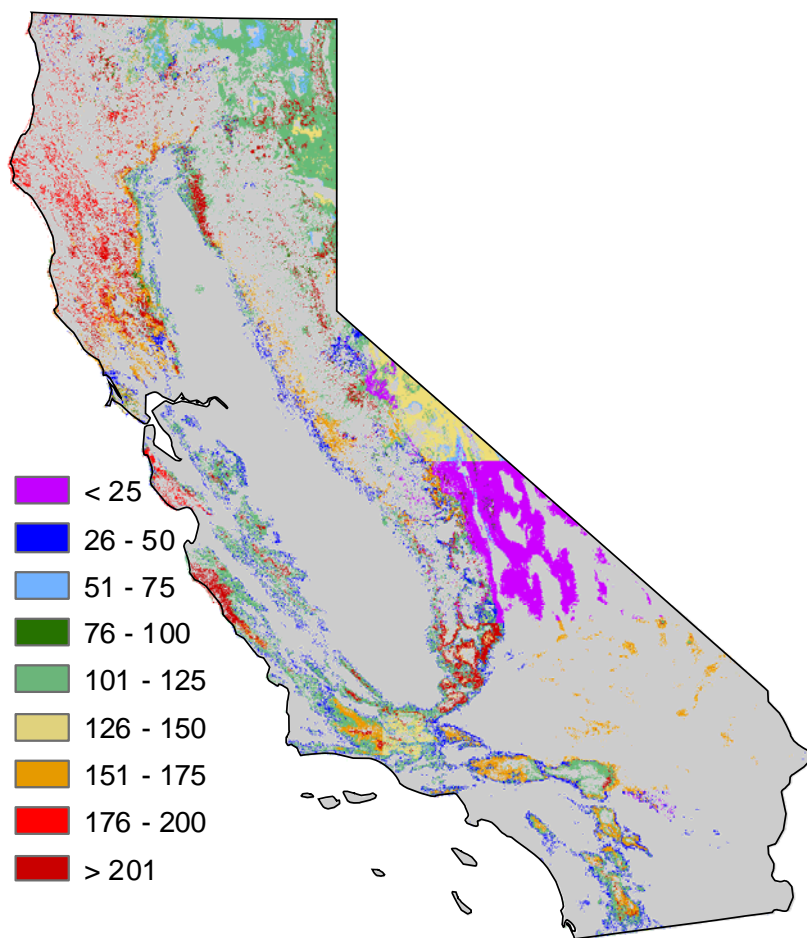
$$\begin{aligned} &5 \text{ tC/ha yr} \times 20 \text{ yrs} \\ &= 100 \text{ tC/ha} \\ &= 148 \text{ tCO}_2/\text{ac} \end{aligned}$$

Summary of Available Carbon

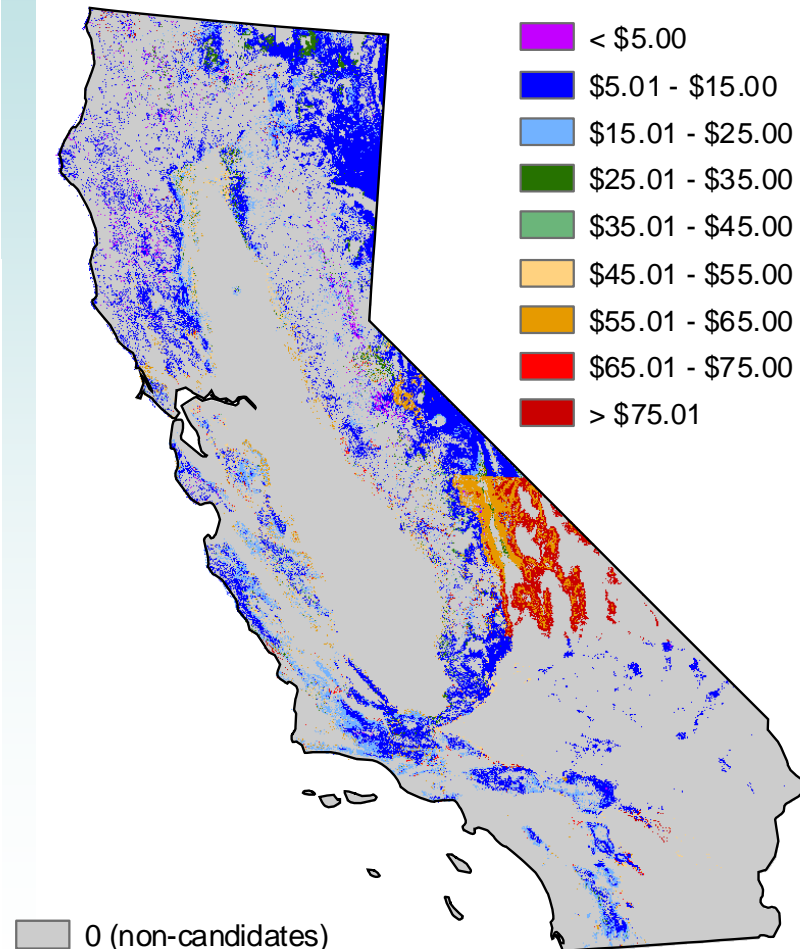
Activity	Quantity of C—MMT CO ₂			Area available—million acres		
	20 years	40 years	80 years	20 years	40 years	80 years
Forest management						
Lengthen rotation						
≤\$13.6 (discounted C)	3.47	--	--	0.31	--	--
≤\$13.6 (undiscounted C)	2.16	--	--	0.30	--	--
Increase riparian buffer-width						
≤\$13.6	3.91 (permanent)				0.044	
Grazing lands						
Afforestation						
≤\$13.6	887	3,256	5,639	12.03	17.79	20.76
≤\$5.5	345	3,017	5,504	2.72	14.83	19.03
≤\$2.7	33	1,610	4,569	0.20	5.68	13.34

Afforestation – CA statewide analysis

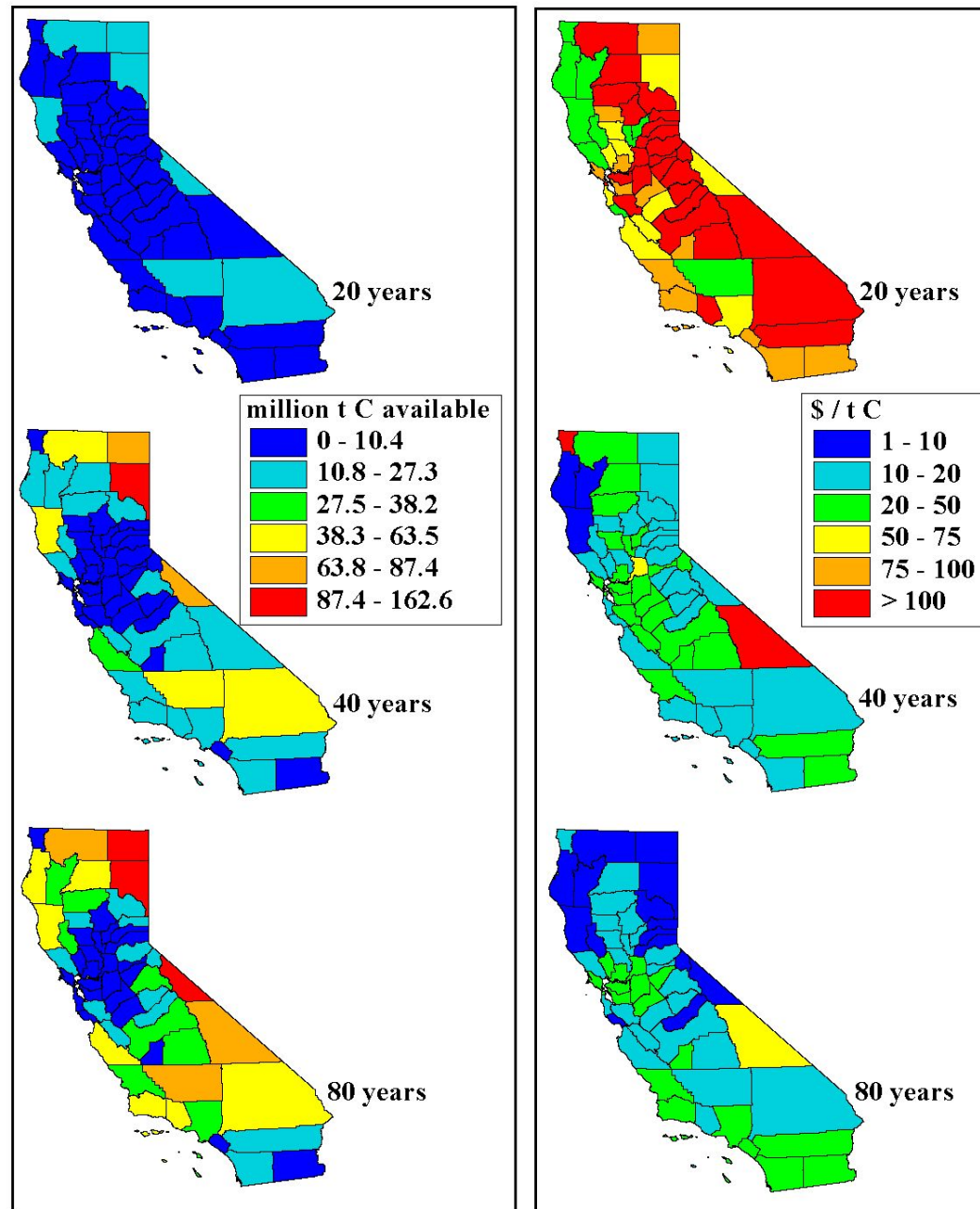
Potential sequestration and cost (40 Years)

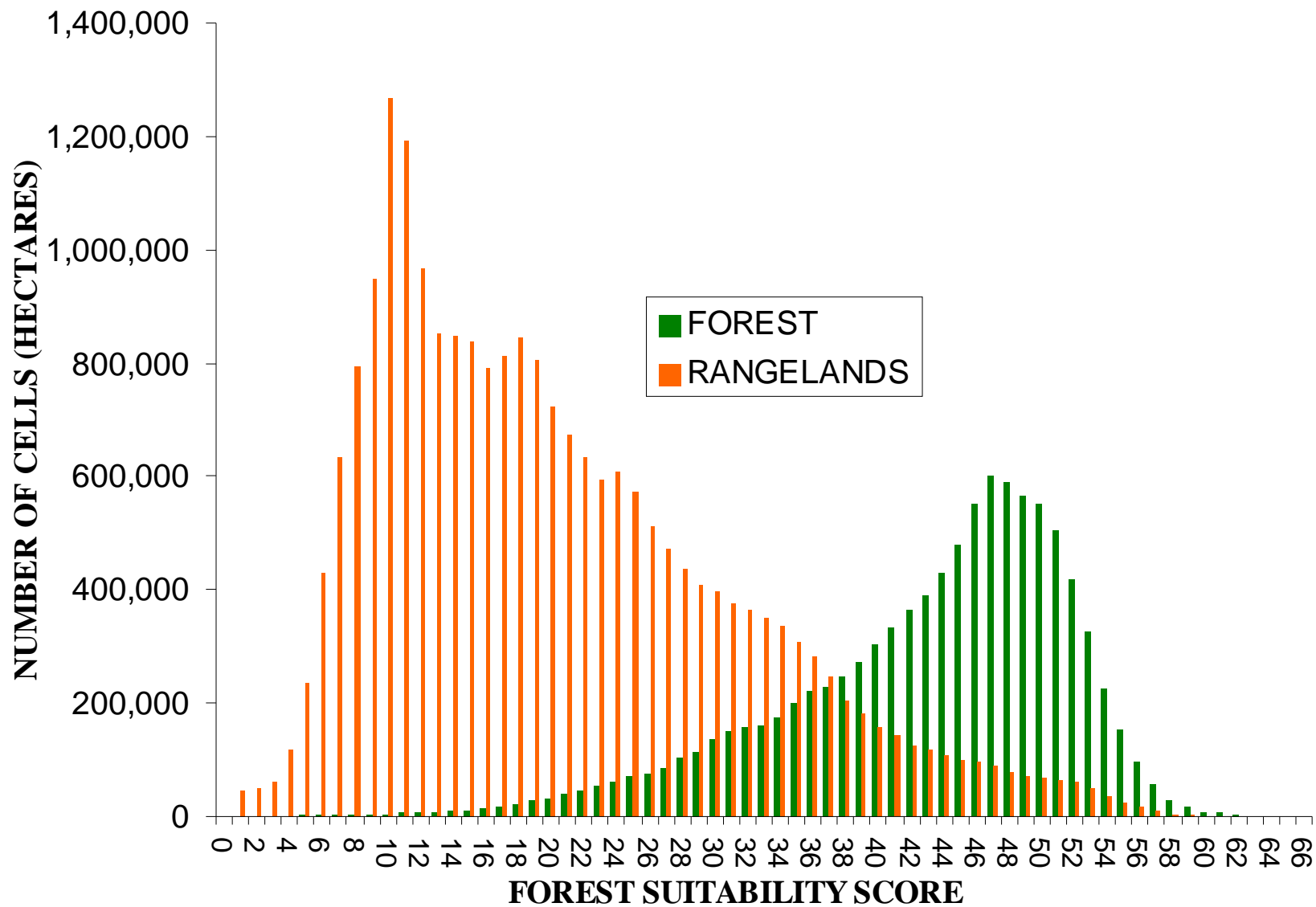


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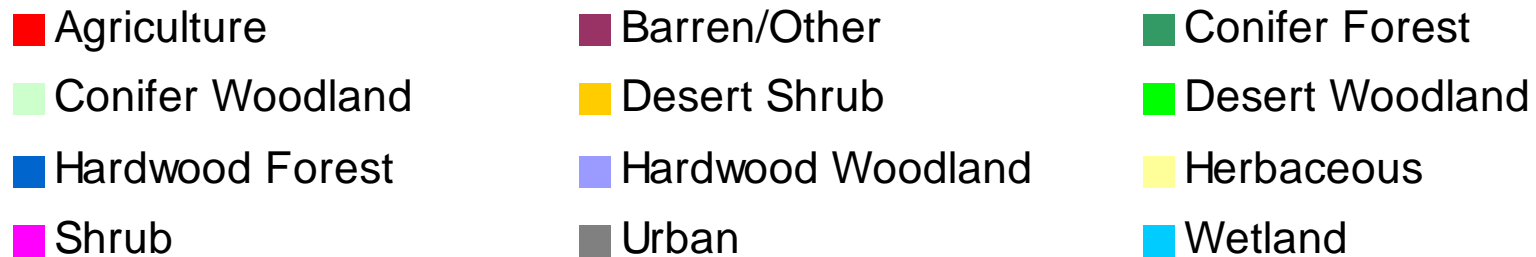
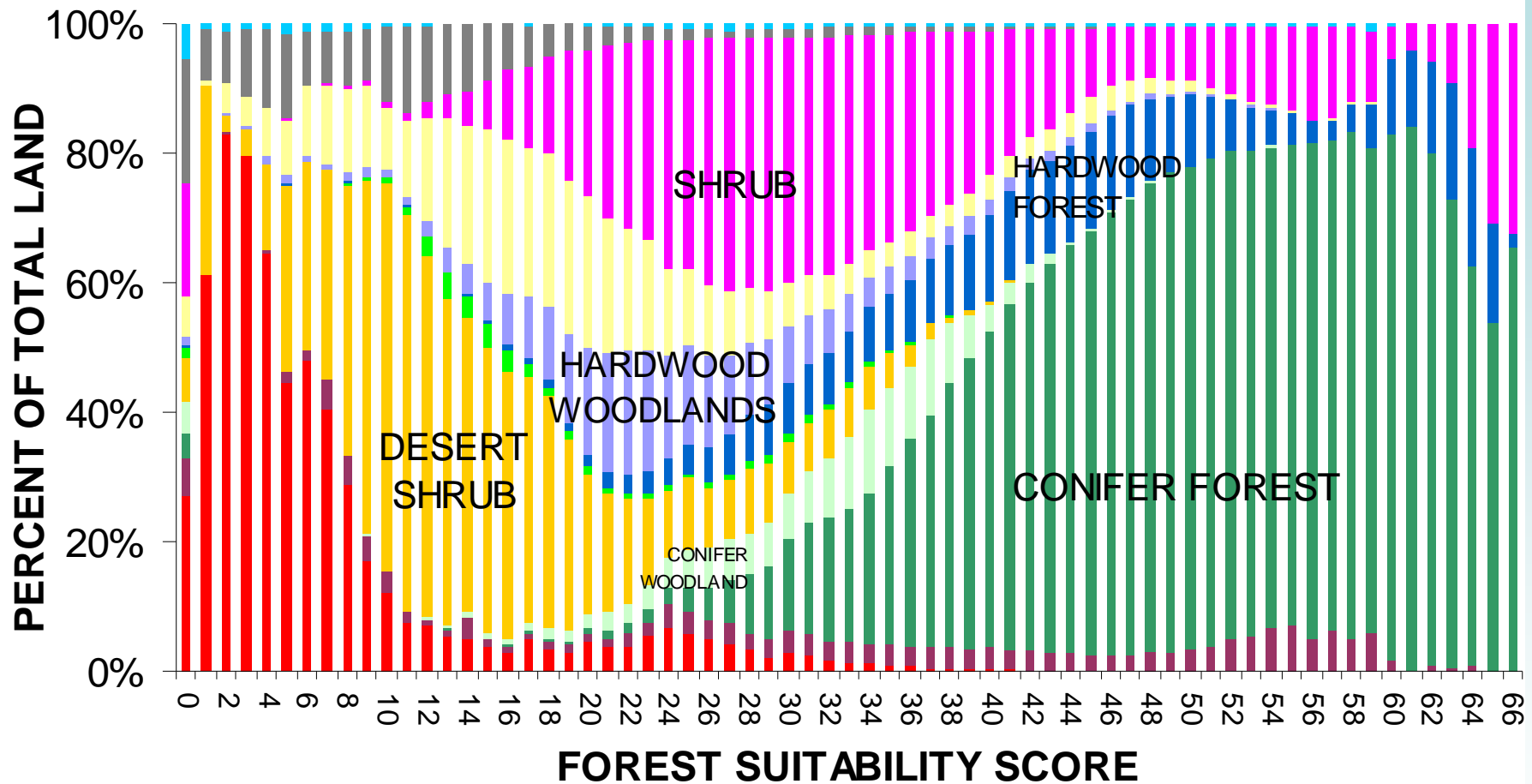


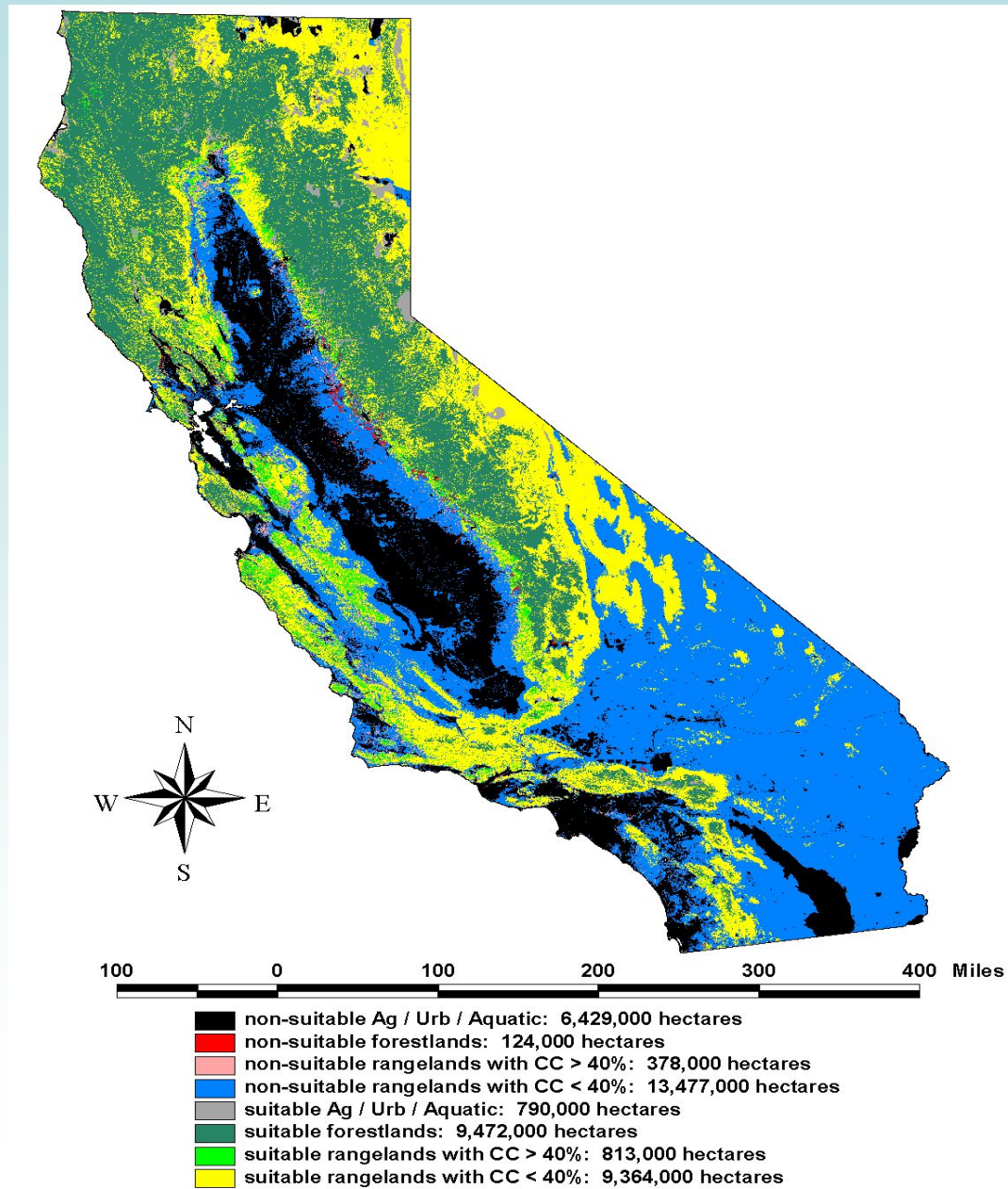
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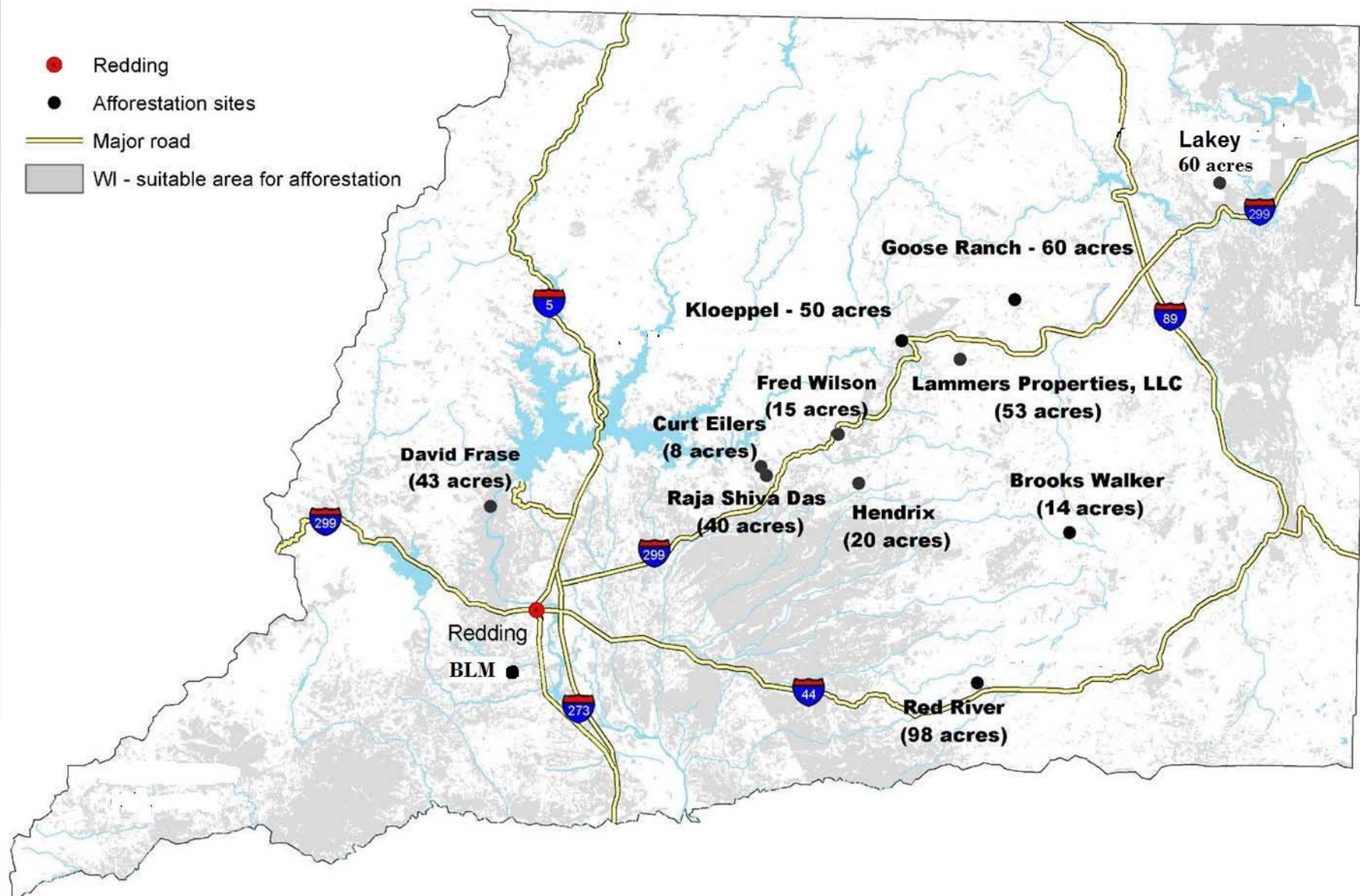


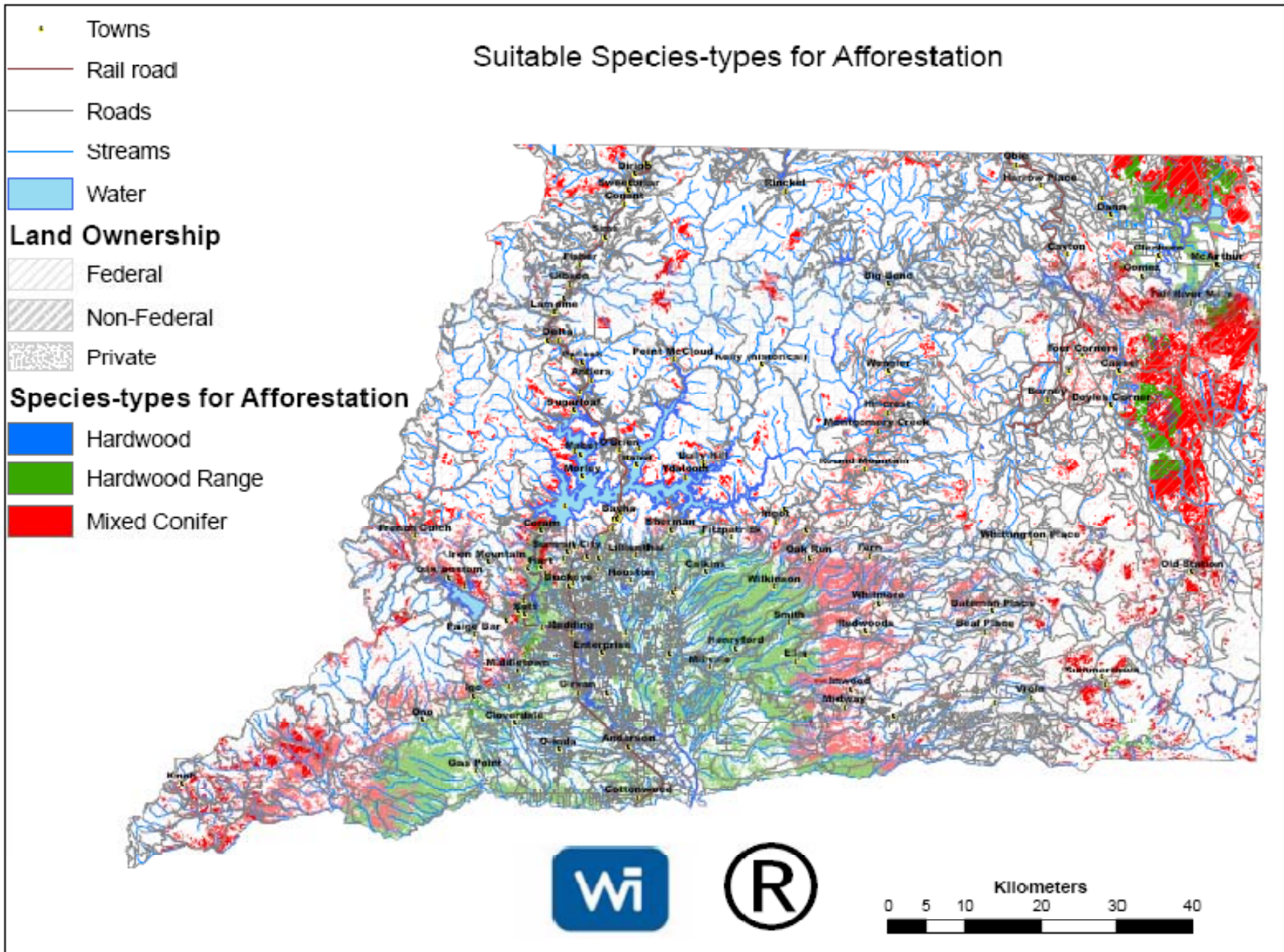


SUITABILITY MAP CELLS IN LAND-COVER CLASSES















Shasta afforestation preliminary baseline

		Baseline C prior to site prep		
Project	Baseline vegetation	Mean (tCO2/ac)	95% CI (tCO2/ac)	# plots
Red River Forests Partnership	Greenleaf manzanita	11.4	5.2	8
Hendrix-Philips	Whiteleaf manzanita	41.3	15.9	10
Goose Valley Ranch	Whitethorn	84.2	36.8	10
Sivadas	Old whiteleaf manzanita	53.6	54.9	11
Wilson	Whiteleaf manzanita	26.6	8.6	7
Lammers	Greenleaf, deer brush, whitethorn	17.9	8.3	7

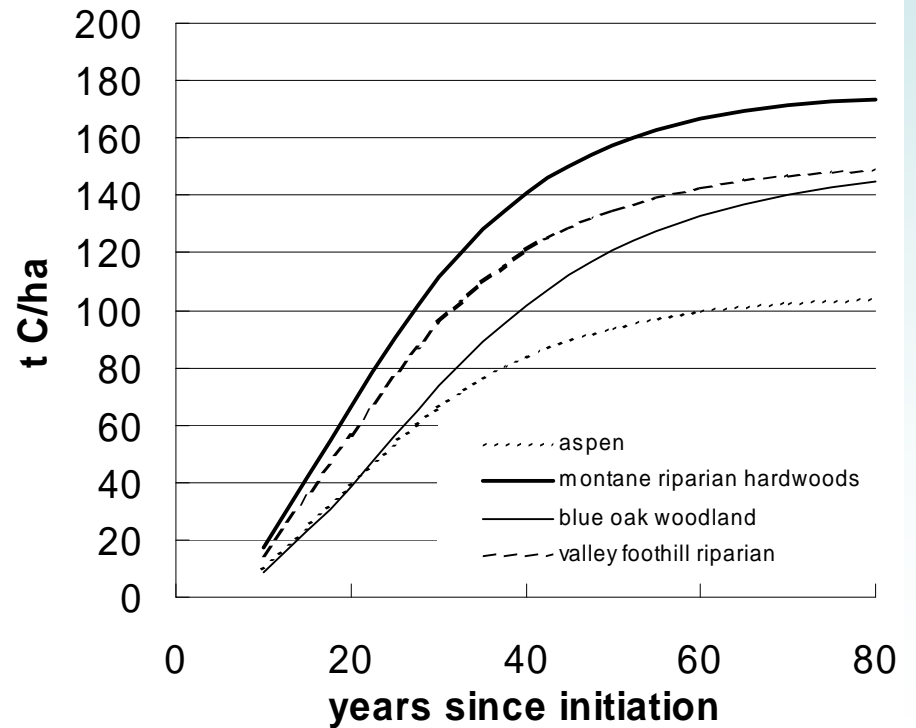
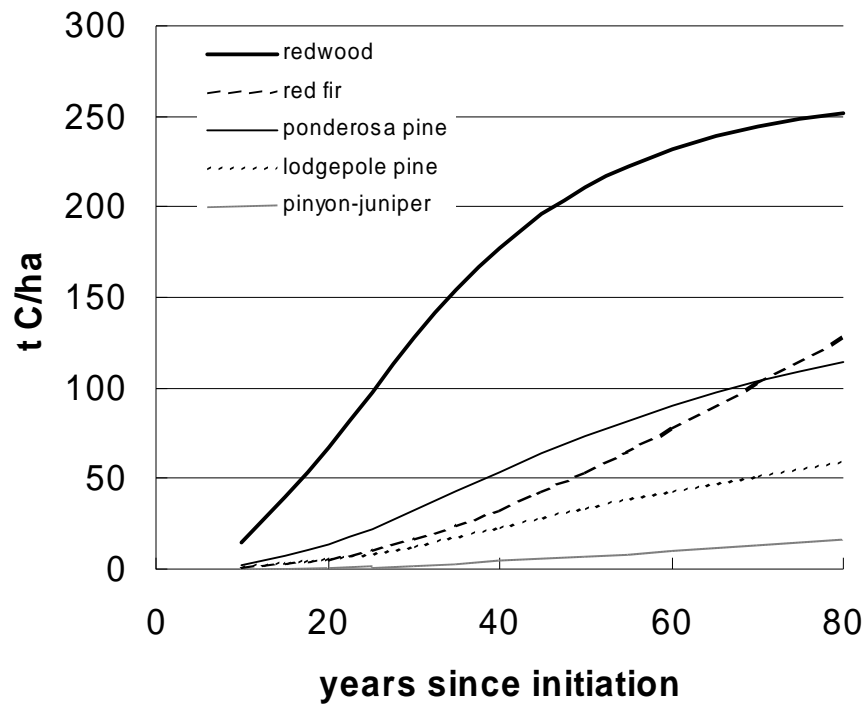
Shasta Afforestation Projects

Project	Acres	Description	Status
Red River Forest Partnership	98	Ponderosa pine afforestation, <i>brush removal for bioenergy</i>	Site prep done, planting done
Goose Valley	60	Ponderosa, Doug fir, cedar, past fire site	Site prep done, planting done
Frase	43	Ponderosa pine afforestation, affected by copper smelting in 1910	Site prep done, planting in 2009
Eilers	8	Oak pine afforestation	Collecting acorn crop, planting in 2009
Lakey	60	Ponderosa pine afforestation, recent fire (2007)	Site prep done, planting in 2009
BLM	10	Oak woodlands	Planting done in 2009

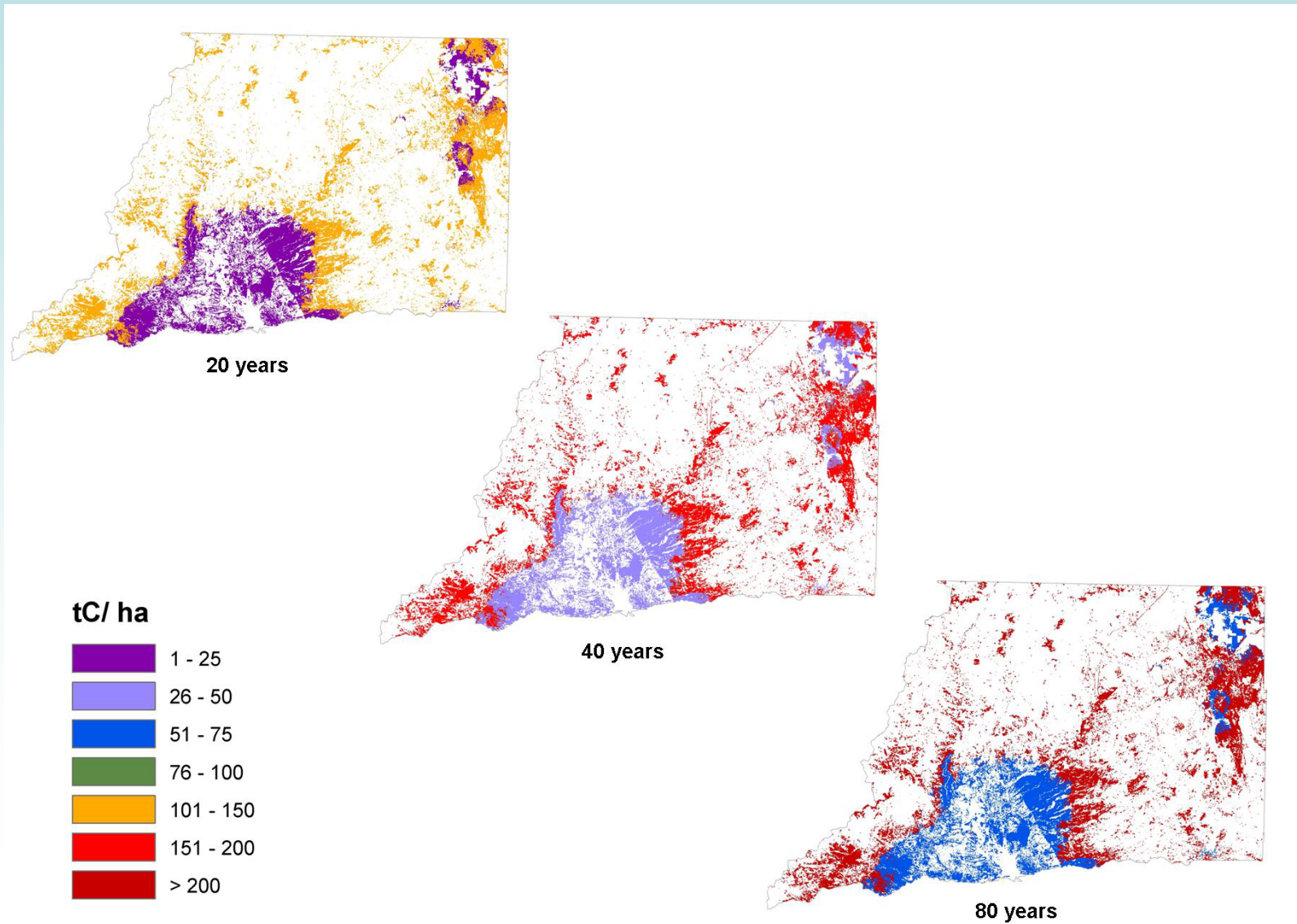
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Brooks Walker	14	Mixed conifer afforestation	Site prep done, planting done
Hendrix Phillips	20	Ponderosa pine afforestation, easement on property	Site prep done, planting done
Goose Valley	60	Mixed conifer afforestation, past fire site	Site prep done, planting done
Lammers	53	Mixed conifer afforestation, past fire site (1992)	Site prep fall 2008, planting in 2009
Frase	43	Ponderosa pine afforestation, affected by copper smelting in 1910	Site prep done, planting in 2009
Kloeppel	51	Ponderosa pine afforestation, past fire site (1992)	Site prep done, planting in 2009
Sivadas	38	Ponderosa pine afforestation	Site prep done, planting in 2009
Eilers	8	Oak pine afforestation	Collecting acorn crop, planting in 2009
Wilson	15	Ponderosa pine afforestation	Site prep done, planting in 2009
Lahey	60	Ponderosa pine afforestation, recent fire (2007)	Site prep done, planting in 2009
BLM	10	Oak woodlands	Planting done in 2009

Growth Curves



Rates for Carbon accumulation



Projections – 300 trees/acre

	tons CO ₂ /ac	
Year	Pine	Doug fir
2008	24.6	21.6
2018	23.7	22.4
2028	35.7	41.5
2038	73.2	98.0
2048	118.5	166.4
2058	178.9	242.8
2068	235.6	300.5
2078	300.6	344.2
2088	338.5	378.1

Costs for Carbon Management Projects

- Establishment costs
 - Site preparation
 - Buying and planting seedlings
 - Easements
 - Validation
- Maintenance costs
- Measurement costs
 - Registry
 - Variability
 - Project area



Costs for Carbon Management Projects

- Opportunity costs
 - Existing income from:
 - Farming
 - Grazing
 - Wood products

- Carbon alone rarely covers all costs

Costs

	10 year			40 year		
	Opportunity	Conversion	M+M	Opportunity	Conversion	M+M
Connecticut	72%	26%	1%	86%	13%	1%
Delaware	68%	31%	1%	83%	16%	1%
Maine	71%	28%	1%	85%	14%	1%
Maryland	47%	52%	1%	68%	31%	0%
Massachusetts	74%	25%	1%	87%	12%	0%
New Hampshire	72%	27%	1%	86%	13%	1%
New Jersey	40%	59%	1%	61%	38%	1%
New York	65%	64%	2%	82%	43%	1%
Pennsylvania	47%	52%	1%	68%	31%	0%
Rhode Island	64%	35%	1%	81%	18%	1%
Vermont	71%	28%	1%	85%	14%	1%
Mean	63%	39%	1%	79%	22%	1%

Policy issues

- Regulation of offsets, rather than of forest sector
- Ensuring additionality is critical
- Regulatory identification of forestry practices is inappropriate
- Co-benefits are high in forest projects

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